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April 20, 2006

Ms. Judy Johnson 180 Howard Street, Sixth Floor San Francisco, California 94105-1639

Dear Ms. Johnson:

Thank you for your March 21, 2006, letter notifying Chief Justice Ronald M. George that the Board of Governors has appointed Raymond G. Aragon to the Judicial Council for a term commencing September 15, 2006, and ending September 14, 2009. We are pleased that the State Bar has made this appointment well in advance of the beginning of Mr. Aragon's term and will forward orientation materials to him shortly.

As you may already be aware, the Administrative Office of the Courts is currently soliciting nominations to fill upcoming vacancies on Judicial Council advisory committees. We have already sent nominations information to a list of 365 specialty bar associations provided by the State Bar.

We would appreciate your help in publicizing those positions that may be of interest to members of the State Bar. Terms of service for those appointed in this nomination cycle will begin on November 1, 2006, and will generally last three years, although some terms are shorter. The chart below outlines the upcoming vacancies:

Advisory Committee	Attorncy Position(s) Available
Appellate	Civil appellate lawyer
Civil Jury Instructions	Lawyer whose primary area of practice is civil law
Civil and Small Claims	Lawyer whose primary area of practice is civil law
Collaborative Justice Courts	District attorney
Criminal Jury Instructions	Law school professor whose primary area of expertise is criminal law
Criminal Law	Criminal defense lawyer (public)

Family and Juvenile Law	Lawyer whose primary area of practice is family law;	
	County counsel assigned to juvenile dependency cases	
Legal Services Trust Fund Commission	Lawyer	
Probate and Mental Health	Lawyer, examiner, or probate investigator who works	
	for a court on probate or mental health matters	

The deadline for submitting advisory committee nominations is *Friday, June 30, 2006*. Nominations may be sent by mail or fax to: Administrative Office of the Courts, Office of the Secretariat, attention Roma K. Cheadle, 455 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102-3688 (fax: 415-865-4332). An online nomination form is available on the California judicial branch Web site, at *www.courtinfo.ca.gov/jc/nomform.htm*.

Please distribute the attached memo and nomination form to any members of your organization who may be interested in submitting a nomination. Nomination guidelines include the following points: (1) a separate form should be submitted for each individual; (2) prior to submitting a nomination form, nominators should confirm that the candidate, if selected, is willing and able to serve; and (3) self-nominations are encouraged.

Participation in Judicial Council advisory committees by members of the State Bar improves communication and collaboration throughout the branch, thereby strengthening the judiciary. We sincerely appreciate your contribution to this process.

If you have any questions, please contact Roma K. Cheadle, Nominations Coordinator, at 415-865-7640. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Kenneth L. Kann

Acting Director

**Executive Office Programs Division** 

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## MEMORANDUM

Date

April 20, 2006

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Interested Members of the State Bar of California

From

Kenneth L. Kann, Acting Director

Executive Office Programs Division

Administrative Office of the Courts

Subject

Participation in the 2006 Judicial Council Advisory Committee Nominations

**Action Requested** 

Please Review

Deadline

June 30, 2006

Contacts

Roma K. Cheadle, Nominations Coordinator 415-865-7640 phone 415-865-4332 fax roma.cheadle@jud.ca.gov

The Administrative Office of the Courts is currently soliciting nominations to fill upcoming vacancies on Judicial Council advisory committees. The advisory committees regularly monitor certain areas of law and segments of the judicial branch. Each committee reviews and makes recommendations to the Judicial Council on legislation, rules, standards, forms, and other policy matters within its purview.

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Civil and Small Claims	Lawyer whose primary area of practice is civil law
Collaborative Justice Courts	District attorney
Criminal Jury Instructions	Law school professor whose primary area of expertise
	is criminal law
Criminal Law	Criminal defense lawyer (public)
Family and Juvenile Law	Lawyer whose primary area of practice is family law; Count
	counsel assigned to juvenile dependency cases

Legal Services Trust Fund Commission	Lawyer
Probate and Mental Health	Lawyer, examiner, or probate investigator who works
	for a court on probate or mental health matters

#### **Advisory Committee Terms and Time Commitment**

The Chief Justice appoints advisory committee members to positions prescribed by the California Rules of Court and by statute. Terms of service for advisory committee members are generally three years, although some committee terms are shorter. Terms of service for those appointed in this nomination cycle will begin on November 1, 2006.

Committee membership requires a commitment of approximately ten hours per month, although that number may vary considerably from committee to committee and month to month, depending on the projects underway. Committees generally meet in person three times per year and by telephone conference five to ten times per year.

#### **Submitting Nominations**

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Participation in Judicial Council advisory committees by members of the State Bar improves communication and collaboration throughout the branch, thereby strengthening the judiciary. We look forward to receiving your nomination submissions.

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# JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA 2006 Advisory Committee Nomination Form

Please complete both sides of this form. Submit a separate form for each committee.

	Candidate In	iformation	1
Candidate's name: Hon.	Mr. Ms		
Title:			
Court/agency/business name	):		
Official court/agency busines	s mailing address:		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
City:	County:	·	Zip:
Phone:	Fax:	É-	-mail
☐ If candidate is currently a	presiding judge, when will tern	n expire?	Candidate is retired.
Check here if nominee is a			
Candidate's previous Judicial	Council, advisory committee, a	and task force n	nemberships:
Particular areas of expertise ir	n the field of law or court admir	nistration:	
	Nominator Ir	nformation	n
Nominator's name:		Title:	
			Zip:
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Please check here to confir appointed.	m that the nominee has been co	ontacted and ha	as indicated a willingness to serve if
Candidate's bio or curricul incomplete without it).	lum vitae of no more than two	pages is attache	ed (nomination will be considered

PLEASE RETURN POSTMARKED OR BY FAX OR E-MAIL NO LATER THAN JUNE 30, 2006.

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Attention: Office of the Secretariat
455 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102-3688
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### 2006 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

(Submit one form per committee, although you may use one form to indicate interest in or nominations for more than one position on the same committee.)

Check one box for each position in which you are interested or for which you are nominating a candidate.

Access and Fairness  Trial court judicial officer  Public member  New judicial officer	Criminal Jury Instructions  ☐ Appellate court justice ☐ Superior court judge ☐ Law school professor whose primary area of expertise is criminal law
Appellate Appellate court justice (especially 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> districts) Trial court judicial administrator Civil appellate lawyer  Center for Judicial Education and Research Appellate justice Sitting judicial officer Judicial administrator New judicial officer  Civil Jury Instructions Appellate court justice Superior court judge Lawyer whose primary area of practice is civil law New judicial officer	Criminal Law  ☐ Appellate court justice ☐ Judicial administrator ☐ Criminal defense lawyer (public) ☐ New judicial officer  Family and Juvenile Law ☐ Trial court judicial officer ☐ Judicial administrator ☐ Lawyer whose primary area of practice is family law ☐ Domestic violence prevention advocate ☐ Child welfare director ☐ County counsel assigned to juvenile dependency cases ☐ New judicial officer
Civil and Small Claims  Trial court judicial officer  Judicial administrator  Lawyer whose primary area of practice is civil law  Person knowledgeable in small claims law & procedure  New judicial officer  Collaborative Justice Courts  Trial court judicial officer  District attorney  Court-treatment coordinator	Legal Services Trust Fund Commission  ☐ Trial court judge ☐ Court administrator ☐ Lawyer  Probate and Mental Health ☐ Judicial officer with experience in probate ☐ Lawyer, examiner, or probate investigator who works for a court on probate or mental health matters ☐ New judicial officer
☐ Treatment court graduate ☐ New judicial officer  Court Executives ☐ Court executive officer (2-5 judge court) ☐ Court executive officer (16-47 judge court)	Traffic  ☐ Trial court judicial officer  ☐ Judicial administrator ☐ Juvenile traffic hearing officer ☐ New judicial officer  Working Group on Court Security <sup>3</sup> ☐ Description from the individed branch
Court Interpreter  ☐ Judicial administrator ☐ Court interpreter (region 2 employee)¹ ☐ Court interpreter (region 3 employee)²  Court Technology ☐ Trial court judicial officer ☐ New judicial officer	☐ Representative from the judicial branch

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Trial courts in the 1st and 6th appellate districts <sup>2</sup> Trial courts in the 3rd and 5th appellate districts

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> If you submitted an application during the January 2006 out-ofcycle nomination solicitation for this working group, you will not need to reapply.